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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

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Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a two-month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action mailed May 8, 2003, said period of response being extended from August 8, 2003 to October 8, 2003.

Our check in the amount of \$420.00 is enclosed to cover the required extension fee for a large entity.

Respectfully submitted,

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